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| <b>Request for<br/>Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b><br><br>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,<br>provides for continued examination of an utility or<br>plant application filed on or after<br>See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA). | Application Number   | 10/652,390             |
|  | Filing Date          | August 29, 2003        |
|  | First Named Inventor | Adeana Richelle Bishop |
|  | Attorney Docket No.  | MDM-0307               |
|  | Examiner Name        | Prem C. Singh          |
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|  | Group Art Unit       | 1764                   |
|  | Family Number        | P2002J085 US2          |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**NOTE:** 37 CFR § 1.114 is effective on 5/29/2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to 5/29/2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination & Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed Reg 50092 (8/16/2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed Reg 14865 (3/20/2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (4/1/2000), which established RCE practice.

- Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114**
  - ☐ Previously submitted
    - ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
    - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☒ Enclosed
    - ☒ Amendment/Reply (previously submitted and enclosed herewith)
    - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Miscellaneous**
  - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)
  - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
  - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 05-1330.
    - ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e): \$ 790.-
    - ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17): \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED |                        |                     |         |                      |                |
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| <i>Susan Fleming</i>  | <i>Susan Fleming</i> | <i>July 10, 2007</i> |
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